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In re the Application of:

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a Tubular Vascular Prosthesis..., and
a Vascular Prosthesis System**

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Dear Sir:

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 - a. Transmittal Letter in duplicate;
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 - c. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) (three month); and
 - d. Return Receipt Postcard
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